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From: Robert.Hodanbosi@epa.ohio.gov [Robert.Hodanbosi@epa.ohio.gov]
Sent: 6/20/2018 11:24:25 AM
To: Nam, Ed [nam.ed@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Heads Up - AK Steel Monitoring Results - Where are Results?

Thanks.

This may just be the issue that every time the story goes to the next person, it is embellished. Since I am hearing this third or fourth hand, by the time it got to me - we were "hiding data".

Also, thank you for the draft information- it is very helpful.

Bob

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 19, 2018, at 10:03 PM, Nam, Ed <nam.ed@epa.gov> wrote:

Hmm. I'll look into it. If it came from one of my folks, I'll have a talk with them, and I'll owe you an apology.

Ed

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 19, 2018, at 7:16 PM, "Robert.Hodanbosi@epa.ohio.gov" <Robert.Hodanbosi@epa.ohio.gov> wrote:

Hello Ed,

My point is that ATSDR heard from your staff that we had been monitoring – so I am hoping that your staff did not promote the "hiding data" idea.

Bob

From: Nam, Ed <nam.ed@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2018 8:30 PM
To: Hodanbosi, Robert <Robert.Hodanbosi@epa.ohio.gov>
Subject: RE: Heads Up - AK Steel Monitoring Results - Where are Results?

Hi Bob,

Thanks for bringing this to my attention. I'm looking into this. If the data QC will take a while, we will send you the non QA/QCd data. I haven't heard back from the lab yet, but I wanted to get back to you by the end of day to tell you that we are looking into this.

As for the accusation from ATSDR, sorry that this has caused some discomfort. I think you know that they are a separate organization and we don't speak for each other.

Thanks,

-Ed

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To: Nam, Ed <nam.ed@epa.gov>
Subject: Heads Up - AK Steel Monitoring Results - Where are Results?

Hello Ed,

I wanted to give you an heads up about the AK Steel monitoring results that are still in your shop. My Commissioner has asked why we cannot obtain the values that you have measured? We told him that they are still being reviewed and are not ready to be released, but he is still asking why we cannot have them in draft form.

The reason that this is an issue is that I was called by the Ohio Department of Health who was contacted by ATSDR, Region V a couple of weeks ago with the claim that Ohio EPA was "hiding data" from US EPA/ATSDR. Over the course of the last couple of weeks we have supplied the information to US EPA Region V on several occasions promptly, usually, the next day or even the same day that we have received the data. I am sure that you can understand why we would be sensitive when we are accused of "hiding data", yet, it is weeks before we can obtain any written documentation of your results. (Your staff did provide us with some results over the phone).

I wanted to ask you to try to expediate the finalization of results and to let you know that my Commissioner is pushing me also.

Thanks.

Bob

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